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Note: New vendors and subcontractors must supply all of the required paperwork (Appendix I, Financial Statement, and 3 Reference Letters), and must register in the Online Representations and Certifications Application (ORCA). In addition, all vendors must also be registered in the CCR within 48 hours after bid opening or your company may be considered non-responsive.

FV-308

Fruit and Vegetable Programs

Date Issued: November 17, 2006

Dehydrated Potatoes, Announcement FV-308, Invitation 018

The Department of Agriculture (USDA) invites offers to sell dehydrated potatoes as indicated below and per the Announcement for use in Needy Family and related domestic food assistance programs. Offers are due by 1 p.m., Central Time, **Tuesday, November 28, 2006**. Acceptances will be announced by midnight, **December 8, 2006**. Deliveries are to be made from January 1, 2007 through March 31, 2007.

Offers are invited from the trade for:

Dehydrated Potatoes, Flakes

12/1 lb

45,000 cases

Offerors are advised that if it cannot supply the products for the first delivery period (01/01/07 – 01/15/07), please do not bid on them.

No offer will be made to the 8(a) vendors on this invitation.

All prime vendors are reminded that they are prohibited from subcontracting with companies or individuals that have been suspended or debarred.

All invitations with orders for the state of New York must have the pack date stamped on the outside of each carton. The pack date should be annotated as per the following example: (05/01/2003). Orders for the state of New York requiring the special markings will be indicated by (**). This applies to New York orders "Only", if and when they appear on an invitation.

Bids must be submitted electronically via the Domestic Electronic Bid Entry System (DEBES) on the Internet. Offerors who submit bids using other than DEBES, will be deemed non-responsive. Offeror must be assigned a Logon ID by USDA to access the site. The Internet address is: <http://pcsd.usda.gov/debes> which translates into a connection of <https://pcsd.usda.gov:3077/mdbc1000.exe?> Once connected, follow the online procedures. A 'HELP' button provides detailed instructions for using the system or call 202-720-4517 for assistance.



Bidders are cautioned to bid only on quantities they can reasonably expect to produce and deliver in accordance with the contract. Inquiries about Announcement FV-308, Appendix-1, and the Commodity Specification for Dehydrated Potatoes dated May 2004, as amended, or this Invitation should be directed to the Contracting Officer, USDA/AMS/Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Commodity Procurement Branch STOP 0239, 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, DC 20250-9410, telephone (202) 720-4517. An electronic version of this invitation can be obtained through the World Wide Web via the Commodity Procurement Home Page at <http://www.ams.usda.gov/cp>.

Purchases will be made on a delivered basis, subject to Announcement FV-308, to the listed locations. Delivery by trucks or railcars is optional to the contractor, except for those destination(s) which specify delivery by truck only or rail only.

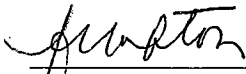
Split shipments are indicated by a single asterisk (*).

ANNOUNCEMENT : FV308
 INVITATION : 018
 COMM GROUP : 37 VEGETABLES, DEHYDRATED
 COMM TYPE : 10 POTATOES, FLAKES, DEHYDRATED
 PACK SIZE : 10 12/1 LB PACKAGE

ITEM NO	DESTINATION CITY	ST	TRANS RESTR	QUANTITY (CSE)	PRICE PER (CSE)
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DELIVERY PERIOD 01/01/07 - 01/15/07					
001	JACKSONVILLE/FAS (PUERTO RICO)	FL	TRUCK ONLY	7,500	_____
002	GALLUP	NM	TRUCK ONLY	2,500	_____
003	DES MOINES	IA	TRUCK ONLY	2,500	_____
004	FARGO	ND	TRUCK ONLY	2,500	_____
DELIVERY PERIOD 01/16/07 - 01/31/07					
005	FORT WORTH	TX	TRUCK ONLY	2,500	_____
006	HOUSTON	TX	TRUCK ONLY	2,500	_____
DELIVERY PERIOD 02/01/07 - 02/15/07					
007	JACKSONVILLE/FAS (PUERTO RICO)	FL	TRUCK ONLY	5,000	_____
008	ALBUQUERQUE	NM	TRUCK ONLY	2,500	_____
009	KANSAS CITY	MO		2,500	_____
010	LOS ANGELES	CA	TRUCK ONLY	2,500	_____

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DELIVERY PERIOD 02/16/07 - 02/28/07					
011	PORTLAND	OR	TRUCK ONLY	2,500	
DELIVERY PERIOD 03/01/07 - 03/15/07					
012	JACKSONVILLE/FAS FL (PUERTO RICO)	FL	TRUCK ONLY	5,000	
013	KANSAS CITY	MO		2,500	
DELIVERY PERIOD 03/16/07 - 03/31/07					
014	ALBUQUERQUE	NM	TRUCK ONLY	2,500	
TOTAL QUANTITY FOR COMMODITY TYPE				45,000	
TOTAL QUANTITY FOR INVITATION				45,000	


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 Commodity Procurement Branch
 Fruit and Vegetable Programs

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